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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Patrick D. Smith

Application No. 09/470,890

Filed: December 22, 1999

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED  
CORRELATION OF DIGITAL MODULATION IMPAIRMENT

Art Unit: 2631

Examiner: Kevin Michael Burd

Docket No.: PD05924AM

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a ONE month extension of time for response to the outstanding Official Action mailed May 7, 2003.

2. The reason for this petition is as follows:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A response to the outstanding Official Action is being filed herewith;
<input type="checkbox"/>	It is expected that a response to the outstanding Official Action will be filed within the extended period for response;
<input type="checkbox"/>	A Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 CFR § 1.191) is being filed herewith;
<input type="checkbox"/>	It is expected that a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals (37 CFR § 1.191) will be filed within the extended period for response.
<input type="checkbox"/>	A Division, Continuation, or Continuation-in-part is being filed, and it is desired to maintain the present application in pending condition pursuant to 35 USC § 120 through at least the filing date of the Division, Continuation, or Continuation-in-part application.

3. The required fee as established by 37 CFR § 1.17(a), (b), (c) or (d) pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 41(a) (8) is:

		RATE	FEE TO BE PAID
X	First Month	\$110.00	\$110.00
	Second Month	\$410.00	
	Third Month	\$930.00	
	Fourth Month	\$1,450.00	

The above fee is to be paid pursuant to instructions in the following paper filed herewith:  
"Fee Transmittal for FY 2003"

No additional extension of time is believed to be necessary. If an additional extension of time is deemed to be necessary, however, such extension is hereby petitioned. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1047.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patrick D. Smith, Applicant

By: 

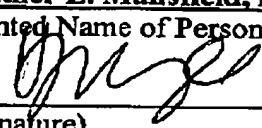
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